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SUBJECT: INTELSAT - CHIREP/TAIWAN ACCESS

NAIROBI FOR ATTN CARL GRIP

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1. POINTS REFTEL DISCUSSED WITH FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE, DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (BARRETT). HE SAID UK HAD ALREADY BEEN INFORMED OF REPUBLIC OF CHINA WITHDRAWAL FROM INTELSAT.

2. RE PARA 2 REFTEL, UK CONSIDERS THAT WHILE DISCUSSION OF CHINESE REPRESENTATION ISSUE AT ASSEMBLY OF PARTIES WILL NO DOUBT BE CONSIDERABLY REDUCED BY ROC WITHDRAWAL AND ANY DISCUSSION WHICH ENSUES WILL NOT NOW BE OF CONTENTIOUS NATURE, SINCE ISSUE IS ON THE AGENDA, IT SEEMS UNLIKELY TO UK THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO AVOID
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SOME MENTION OF THE MATTER AT ASSEMBLY. DISCUSSIONS

WHICH MIGHT TAKE PLACE, THE UK SUGGESTED, COULD BE OF SOME RESOLUTION WELCOMING PRC TO ORGANIZATION. WHATEVER DISCUSSIONS TAKE PLACE IN UK VIEW WILL NO DOUBT CENTER ABOUT ANY MODIFIED RESOLUTION PAKISTAN OR OTHERS MIGHT INTRODUCE IN PLACE OF PREVIOUSLY EXPECTED RESOLUTION TO EXPELL ROC.

3. THE UK IS IN FAVOR OF THE PRINCIPLE OF ACCESS TO SYSTEM BY NON-MEMBERS. WHILE UK NOT PREPARED TO SUPPORT IN OPEN DEBATE SPECIFIC ISSUE OF CONTINUED ROC ACCESS, IT WILL BE PREPARED TO SUPPORT GENERAL PRINCIPLE OF NON-MEMBER ACCESS IN CONTEXT OF DISCUSSIONS TO ALLOW ROC OR OTHER NON-MEMBERS ACCESS TO INTELSAT SYSTEM. BARRETT SAID HE BELIEVED UK WOULD BE WILLING TO SUPPORT CONTINUED ACCESS FOR ROC IN CORRIDOR DISCUSSIONS.

4. GENERAL FEELING UK HAS ABOUT PRC VIEWS ON CONTINUED ACCESS FOR ROC FROM VARIOUS CONTACTS IS, AS REPORTED PREVIOUSLY, THAT PRC WILL BE WILLING TO WORK OUT SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS FOR ROC ACCESS AFTER MEMBERSHIP ISSUE IS SETTLED.

5. STEPHEN BARRETT AND HIS DEPUTY, PETER BULL, WILL ATTEND ASSEMBLY AND WORKING GROUP ON RULES OF PROCEDURE MEETINGS AT NAIROBI.

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